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SUBJ: NIGERIAN PORT CONGESTION--PORT'S EMERGENCY DECREE

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1. THE FMG HAS PROMULGATED A DECREE ENTITLED QUOTE PORTS (EMERGENCY PROVISIONS) DECREE NO. 40 OF OUT UNQUOTE. THIS DECREE EFFECTIVELY RESTATES AND AUTHENTICATES AS OFFICIAL FMG POLICY THE SERIES OF DIRECTIVES ON SAILINGS AP ARRIVALS OF VESSELS INTO NIGERIAN PORTS ISSUED IN AUGUST 1975 BY THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT (REFTEL. THE DECREE REQUIRES THAT THE OWNER OR AGENT OF THE OWNER OF EVERY SHIP INTENDING TO ENTER ANY NIGERIAN PORT SUPPLY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SHIP'S MOVEMENTS TO THE NIGERIAN PORT AUTHORITY (NPA) AT LEAST TWO MONTHS PRIOR TO THE SHIP'S DEPARTURE FOR NIGERIA PORTS. THE NPA MAY THEN ISSUE AN ENTRY NOTICE TO THE SHIP.

2. A SIGNIFICANT NEW FEATURE OF THE DECREE IS THE ADDITION OF CRIMINAL SANCTIONS. THE DECREE PROVIDES THAT THE MASTER OF A SHIP CONTRAVENING THE DECREE'S PROVISIONS SHALL BE IMPRISONED FOR TWO YEARS WITHOUT THE OPTION OF A FINE. THE OWNER OF THE SHIP IS ALSO LIABLE TO A SIMILAR PENALTY OF TWO YEARS IMPRISONMENT OR A FINE OF NAIRA 10,000 FOR EACH DAY THE SHIP REMAINS IN NIGERIAN WATERS

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WITHOUT AN NPA LICENSE.

3. THE DECREE IS DESIGNED PRINCIPALLY TO CONTROL THE
INFLOW OF CEMENT SHIPS AND WILL BE REVIEWED QUOTE AS
SOON AS THE SITUATION IN THE PORTS IMPROVES UNQUOTE.
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